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“The personal qualities which make up personality are many. Some of the most important are personal appearance, health, sympathy, sincerity, sense of justice, idealism, loyalty and devotion... Are these qualities within our conscious control? The answer to this question is vital. If we hold the fatalistic notion that undesirable personal qualities can not be changed by conscious effort then our teacher training institutions have no mission. However, there is hope. We know that personality is something that can be cultivated, developed and changed.

The first step in the process of improving personality is an earnest desire for betterment. The next step is introspection and impartial self-examination to determine the qualities lacking, and the final step is the will-to-do or in other words the determination to strengthen our able qualities.”